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CANADIAN NEWS.

Seizure of the Stanbridge Woolen Mills.

DEAF MUTES TO FARM.

Ontario Since the Fire—Action of the Liberals—The Temperance Act—Cattle Shipments.

SEA-GOING VESSELS.

Word having been received that the Bank of Hamilton entertained an idea of opening a branch at Calgary, a meeting of a few leading citizens was held at Mr. Bleeker's law office recently. There were present Messrs. King, Chipman, Walker, Bleeker, Bowen, Bannerman, Martin, Ramsay, McEwen, Lindsay, Dowling, Gibbs, Trott and Braden. A statement of the chief inducements the country would be able to present to the first bank opening a branch was made out, to be forwarded to the management for consideration. It was estimated that at least half a million of dollars of business could be done the first year. Major Walker will present the matter to the directors when he goes east.

In reference to the seizure of the Stanbridge woolen mills for infraction of customs laws, it seems the modus operandi was to import one loom and one set of machines fitted up, and another packed in pieces in separate boxes, a blank invoice being supplied by the manufacturer. One set was charged at a reduced figure and the set was declared as fixtures and extra attachments, such fixtures not being charged on the invoice produced at the customs. It is said that clues to other large smugglings are being followed up and that before many days they will be made public.

The Ottawa Free Press says: The deaf mutes brought to Canada by Miss Groirn, of the Deaf and Dumb Institute, London, England, will be placed on a farm near Regina. They have been accustomed to market gardening in the old country.

Only one small grocery store is left in Port Berry, Ontario, since the fire. Sixty-two business places and fifteen residences with all their contents were consumed. The loss is placed at $345,000, and the insurance only $152,000.

It appears from a cable dispatch that Mr. Joseph Doutre's suit for $8,000, expenses for services as counsel of the Mackenzie Government in the Fishery Award case has been maintained by the Privy Council.

General Middleton, the new commander of militia in Canada, has lately arrived in Quebec, per S. S. Polynesian. Upon disembarking, a salute of 13 guns was fired from the Citadel.

On account of over-production the cotton stocks of Montreal are too cumbersome for the demands of trade, and several mills are expected to stop work shortly.

Messrs. H. and H. Merrill, dry goods merchants, nearly half a century in business in Montreal, have assigned for the benefit of their creditors.

Amos McCorkill, 8 years of age, second youngest son of Thos. McCorkill, of Monolick, Ontario, was drowned a few days ago, while bathing.

On the 19th of August the Lake Huron Silver and Copper Mining Company of Montreal will sell all shares on which the last call has not been paid.

During the month of June 1,762 head of live cattle, 6,134 quarters of beef and 656 carcases of mutton arrived in Liverpool, England, from Canada.

On the 11th of August voting will be held in the city of Westmoreland, N. B., on the proposed repeal of the Canada Temperance Act.

Messrs. Aquilla Walsh and H. H. Smith have been appointed Joint Commissioners respecting conflicting claims to lands in Manitoba.

Lieut. Gordon, of the meteorological service, Toronto, is in Halifax to superintend the fitting out of the Hudson Bay expedition.

So great is stagnation of trade in Montreal that a cargo of molasses on the barque Lorraine, cannot be sold for cost price.

Wesley, the eldest son of Henry Sonley, a farmer, living a little north of Whitby, was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

A test case has decided that the tax of $60 imposed by the corporation of Quebec on commercial travelers is illegal.

A notorious crook has just fleeced a Halifax broker out $2500 by means of counterfeit £50 notes of the Bank of England.

Three sea-going vessels have returned to Quebec damaged, two by collision and the third by a storm.

The Kingston car-work is $7000 in debt. When the jobs on hand are finished the works will be closed.

Freshets in Dorchester, N. B., have greatly damaged the Intercolonial railway and other bridges.

The Liberals have scored a great victory in electing Hon. F. Langellier as member for Megantic.

Mr. Roe, M. P. P. for Lennox, Ont. is dead.

RINGING THE BABY.

Shining Mementoes of the Awful Want of Originality.

[Detroit Free Press.]

There is one young couple in this city who are ready to open an exchange where they may get rid of some superfluous jewelry they have on hand, or, rather, haven't on hand, because the hand is quite too small for the jewelry. There is a new baby in the family, and before it was a week old they received a small box from California, and upon opening it found a tiny gold ring with "Welcome, little stranger," engraved on the inside.

It's much too large for the baby, and not quite large enough to fit me," said the young mother, positively; but on the principle that it would keep she put it away, and dictated a letter of thanks to the sender.

The next day the baby's aunt sent it a lovely little ring set in pearl, with "Our pet" marked on the inner circle.

Then its grandmother sent a ring made out of a piece of gold found in dear grandpa's pocket after his death, and it had two sets of initials and a Bible text inscribed on it.

But the next ring was from a school friend, and was a wide band of gold with a quarter dollar bangle. "Of such is the kingdom of Heaven," was condensed into it, quite discernible with a microscope, however.

Then the baby's uncle got home from New York, and when he had kissed the new arrival he took something out of his vest pocket:

"I couldn't see a thing to get the kid except this," he said, as he opened a tiny box. "I knew nobody would think of giving such a little shaver a ring, so I got one. Hello, sis, what's the matter?"

The young mother had fainted. But they restored her in time to see her dear old Aunt Letitia, who had stopped over on her way to the Pacific coast to see that blessed baby.

"Not a ring on her dear, sweet little hands," said the old lady, severely; "Aunty Lishy didn't forget her tootsey-wootsey." And she slipped a cameo circlet on the small red finger. It has a Greek word engraved on it which means "Hope."

"There's the postman's ring," said the nurse one day as she looked out of the window.

"He's bringing another off-ring to the baby; I know it," said the pale young mother.

But they carry them to another room now, where they are numbered, sorted out and put away in regular order, shining mementoes of the awful want of originality, which is usually possessed by the friends of a first baby.

They All Hoisted Their Umbrellas.

[Cincinnati Enquirer.]

Yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock the sun was shining brightly. There was not even an indication of rain. Coroner Muscroft, who is noted as a practical joker, had his silver handed umbrella with him, however. As he turned to Harry Bennett, walking up street, he said: "I'm going to hist this thing just to see what the people will do."

They had been walking half a square, when a woman with a market-basket and a green gingham umbrella big as Robinson's circus tent, raised it and went trudging along. As they passed through the Court street market space every man who met them and had an umbrella with him hoisted it. They had not proceeded a square on Vine street when a dozen other people did the same thing.

"What do you suppose they think?" asked an Enquirer reporter of the coroner last evening.

"Give it up, unless they have been so accustomed to rain lately that they think it ought to sprinkle most any time and are ready for an emergency. The example of a good citizen may have a good deal to do with it, too," replied the doctor.

The Government Medical Service.

[The Current.]

Several petitions have been presented in congress recently, asking that appointments to the medical service under the government be made without regard to the school of medicine to which the applicant may belong, provided he be a graduate of a legally chartered medical institute. At present no one is allowed to enter the medical service of the government unless he is a graduate of the schools of the medical sect known as the "Allopathic;" members of the "Homeopathic" and "Eclectic" sects are carefully excluded.

Winfield Scott and Jeff Davis.

[Ben: Perley Poore.]

Jefferson Davis, when secretary of war, had a very angry correspondence with Winfield Scott, on the increased pay claimed by the latter on receipt of the title of lieutenant general. Gen Scott, in his last letter, said: "My silence under the new provocation has been the result, first of pity and next of forgetfulness. Compassion is always due to an enraged imbecile who lays about him blows which hurt only himself, or who at worst seeks to stifle his opponent by the din of naughty words." To this Secretary Davis responded as follows:

WAR DEPARTMENT, May 27, 1856—SIR: I have received your letter of the 20th inst. The delay for which you make a hypocritical apology has strengthened you to resume the labor of vituperation, but having only in this correspondence stamped you with falsehood, and whenever you have presented a tangible point, convicted you by conclusive proof, I have ceased to regard your abuse, and as you present nothing in this letter which requires remark, I am gratified to be relieved from the necessity of further exposing your malignity and depravity.

Your obedient servant,
JEFFERSON DAVIS.
Brevet Lieut. Gen. Winfield Scott.

Jim Keene's Gratitude.

[San Francisco Post.]

Those who know Jim Keene best express genuine sorrow for him. There are many instances of his kindness to those who befriended him before he came to affluence. The writer rode down town with one of our oldest mining secretaries this morning who said: "Fourteen or fifteen years ago, when Keene was on the curb in this city, deaf broke, with torn clothing and bursted shoes, I used to give him small jobs to keep him and his family. One day, after he had made a lucky strike, he came into my office and said: 'Give me $1,000 and I'll make you a little turn in the market.' I gave him the amount, and within forty-eight hours, after a successful operation, he returned me $10,000 as my share of the profits."

In Lafayette Square.

[Washington Cor. Baltimore Sun.]

When Gen. Daniel E. Sickles was in Washington, a short time since, an old friend of his observed him one day promenading slowly around Lafayette square, gazing earnestly at the old club house, from the windows of which Philip Barton Key used to look, and then across at the mansion which was once his own residence, and which possesses such fateful memories for him. Almost in front of the spot where the tree stood at whose foot he dealt the death wound to Key, he stopped, and was evidently musing over the events in which he bore so prominent a part, a full quarter of a century ago. The friend passed on without waiting to be recognized, appreciating that the occasion was such that one should be left undisturbed to his own thoughts.

H. G. Cutler: "Every great newspaper is built over a grave of dead men's bones! It's a hard life, my lad."

ILLINOIS' VICTORY.

How Lincoln's Nomination Was Secured in 1860.

The Work Which David Davis Did for the Railsplitter—Thurlow Weed's Defeat—The Total Cost.

[Ben: Perley Poore.]

The second National Republican convention was called to meet at Chicago on Wednesday, May 16, 1860, and Mr. Seward's friends regarded his nomination for president as certain. The Illinois state Republican convention met at Decatur a fortnight previous. It was attended by the political friends of Abraham Lincoln, who had written urging them to come, as he thought that if supported by the Illinois delegation he might secure the nomination. Few of them agreed with him, but they worked zealously for him, and elected three Lincoln delegates-at-large—David Davis, Norman B. Judd and Stephen T. Logan. The other delegate, Orville H. Browning, was a Bates man, but Lincoln approved of his election, saying that Bates would have no show, and that when Browning saw this, he would not only go over to him, but would take some of his friends with him.

Judge Davis had never attended a primary meeting or a caucus, much less a convention, but Lincoln prevailed upon him to go to Chicago and conduct his campaign. The judge arrived on the scene of action the Saturday night previous to the meeting of the convention. He found that the parlors at the hotels had all been engaged, and he had to establish his headquarters in two small connecting rooms in the third story of the Tremont house. The outlook was not encouraging, as the only Lincoln men on the ground were a few of the delegates from Illinois and Indiana. Thurlow Weed had thoroughly organized the Seward cohorts, and the streets were filled with thousands who were shouting the New York war cry, Lincoln's raw levies were scattered far and wide, and left at the mercy of disciplined politicians. They had no organization. They were even without a headquarters. The hotels were packed with the noisy friends of Bates and Seward.

David Davis proved himself a political Carnot, and threw the Railsplitter's flag to the breeze. The raw levies were gathered and disciplined. Night and day was he busy, forming combinations and visiting delegations. Horace Greeley, under the guise of a delegate from Oregon, appeared as the leader of the Bates men, and Thurlow Weed tooted defiance from his Seward bugle. Davis visited both leaders, and was showered with chaff. But his raw levies were not without backing. On Saturday night he telegraphed to the lawyers of the eighth circuit, assuring them that Old Abe's stock was rising, and that its value would be greatly enhanced by the presence of his friends in force. It was an electric shock. The state was aroused. On Monday and Tuesday trains poured into the city overflowing with Lincoln shouters. They were enthusiastic friends, who gladly paid their own way out of love for Lincoln. They massed themselves in the streets, and raised a din that astonished the noisy retainers of Seward. They thronged the corridors of the hotels, and awoke the echoes of the night with their cheers. Hourly their number increased. They poured into the wigwam as soon as the doors were opened, and the very atmosphere of the convention seemed surcharged with their enthusiasm.

The two small rooms on the third floor of the Tremont house were the scene of unwonted activity. Every order was promptly executed. Lawyers acted as messengers and judges watched the cars for belated delegates. Under Davis's guidance the work was thoroughly done. When he entered the city on Saturday night barely fifty weak-kneed delegates stood under the Lincoln flag. On the first ballot the Railsplitter polled 102 votes to 173½ for Seward and 48 for Bates. The lanky cohorts in the gallery nearly lifted the roof with their cheers. The second ballot gave Lincoln 181, Seward 184½ and Bates 35.

Again the brawny friends of Old Abe roared with delight. The Seward men turned pale, and Thurlow's knees smote together as he saw the writing on the wall. Lincoln was nominated on the next ballot by a vote of 354 to 110½ for Seward, and the whole state of Illinois was thrown into ecstacy. That night Judge Davis went to bed for the first time in six days, having conquered at a total cost, all told, of $700.

Judge Davis went to Springfield on the next day, and had a long interview with Mr. Lincoln. The candidate offered to refund the $700, but the judge said that his friends would not hear of it. Mr. Lincoln's friends urged Judge Davis to take the stamp in his behalf. He did so, and made most effective speeches. Nor did he relax his exertions until the closing of the polls. Lincoln carried the state by a plurality of 11,946 over Douglas, and a majority of only 4,629 over all the candidates, in a popular vote of 339,693.

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Government Street. Near Johnson.
THOMAS GARDINER, MANAGER.

A WOULD BE CENSOR.

The latest phase of the Burrard Inlet reserve discussion is that this morning assumed by the Colonist, in which it takes the role of censor. Having failed in the most ignominious manner in controverting THE TIMES' assertions as to the quantity of land embraced in the reserve; unable to deny the fact that much of the land so reserved was fit for agricultural purposes; that in renewing the reserve after the Dominion government had surrendered its right to the lands west of the North and Mud Bay roads, the Provincial Government had adopted a policy that it and its organ had previously condemned, a glaring case of inconsistency had been made manifest. It did not surprise us that the Colonist defended this questionable act. In fact, THE TIMES knew it would [illegible] into a controversy about which it has shown painful ignorance, notwithstanding that it is the mouthpiece of the government, and pretending to a thorough knowledge of the country. When the Colonist denies that the reserve covers an area of more than *ten thousand* acres (its assertion was "barely one thousand," an immaterial difference with our contemporary, however,) that this reserve was west of the North road and north of the North Arm of the Fraser; that considerable of the lands are fit for agricultural purposes and that according to its own showing, the reservation was an unjustifiable act, we will discuss the question on its merits with our somewhat erratic and self-conceited neighbor. Bragadocia is no argument. Facts are stubborn things to deal with, and cannot be gainsaid by raising side issues, as to our ignorance of the country, and being a stranger, all of which sensible people must regard as puerile and childish. THE TIMES—though in its infancy, according to the Colonist, is already far beyond its swaddlings and recognized as a vigorous, healthy member of the British Columbia family. Its childhood days were but few. Already it is full-fledged in the power and vigor of its manhood. It will bear comparison, and that favorably, with its ancient great-grandmother, whose ignorance of modern ideas, and matters in general, it so deeply deplores. THE TIMES has its mission to perform—annoying, though, that may be to our would-be-censor — and one of these duties will be to keep a sharp lookout that the great Dianah of the Ephesians of the Colonist will stick to his text in discussing questions of public interest, and display less of the spirit of exclusive Know Nothingism than the present discussion has developed in him, and accept, in good spirit, a castigation when he merits it.

THE CHAPLEAU FARCE.

A commissioner in the person of Mr. Chapleau has been appointed by the Dominion Government to investigate the Chinese problem, and, as in previous cases of the kind, a limited number of people will be favored with an opportunity of expressing their opinions on the subject. It seems strange that a Government already in possession of official facts and customs, and census returns, should have recourse to so shallow an artifice as to put the people to the expense of sending a plenipotentiary to procure facts already in its possession. The late incorrigible and incomparable member for the district (Bunster) rang a constant refrain in the ears of a deaf ministry, and one of our present city members forever sings the song that the "Chinese must go." Still they come, and have been poured into the country in preference to every other class, despite every prayer, protest and demonstration both on the part of the people and their representatives—or at least from such as were sincere in their efforts to check the evil. Six million dollars of the money expended in the Province on public works have been taken from circulation and employed in increasing the number of Chinese, and in building up opposing interests.

Outcries from California stired the American Government to action, while those from our Province were treated with derision and doubt. From the people who suffered, and who will suffer, more appeals were made against the curse which has blighted the fair future of the Province, whilst the merchants, tradesman, layers and employers of labor for temporary advantages, sang all is well in Chinese land—the white trash must go. Those who had been governed in early days, lost all recollection of their struggles in the pleasures of success, and sought to establish a system of vassalage, which men of their own race would not tolerate. But as bladders burst when too strongly inflated, so has the bubble they puffed into existence. The creatures they welcomed by treacherous diplomacy are stealing the trade from their hands. Chinese slaves are represented by Chinese merchants, and every payable industry is within their control. By their more perfect systems of combination they can concentrate their capital on any profitable measure, and, with the advantage of cheap labor, render competition with them futile.

They are also well advised in the white man's ways by the white man's intelligence. With their gold they purchase knowledge, and use it to our disadvantage. By the aid of their international representative, the slightest grievances will form a matter of inquiry, and, to be brief, we may thank the mistaken action of many of our leading citizens for the curse which will cling to us through successive ages, and for the stupidity, duplicity and wilful blundering of a Federal Government which has been successful in a policy of waste, centralization of wealth, broken obligations, and tricks beneath the dignity of the most abject political harlequin.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.

THE TIMES endorses the statement of the Colonist this morning that "what we don't know about Burrard Inlet would fill a thick volume." The public are satisfied that the Colonist knows more about the true inwardness of the hocus pocus now being planned there than it chooses to reveal. Possibly, better than any other, it could tell the species of wire pulling going on to keep these lands out of the market. Again, it says: "We have refrained, advisedly, from referring to many of the baseless accusations of THE TIMES." We plead ignorance to any baseless accusations against our esteemed confrere. True, our charges against its inconsistency and vacillations are still unanswered. Shakspeare says that "whenever facts are advanced in argument, which cannot be contradicted, leave them alone and turn the battery of ridicule upon your opponents." This injunction the Colonist has made a clumsy attempt at following. "During the remaining period of our stay in this city"—which may be after the Colonist's sun goes down—we will endeavor to advocate the public interests, as we have in this reserve matter, knowing that in doing so we shall enjoy the confidence of that great constituency—the people of this Province—the application of any "balm," "tonic," or any other influence that may be brought to bear on us, to the contrary notwithstanding.

TELEGRAPHIC SPARKS.

BREAD OR BLOOD.

MARSEILLES, July 21.—A crowd of Socialists assembled before the Mayor's office yesterday and demanded work. They endeavored to force an entrance into the building, but were prevented by the police. Seven arrests followed.

NEWS FROM A WHALING FLEET.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., July 21.—The first news from the Arctic's whaling fleet to June 26th, is received. Twelve vessels have taken thirty-one whales, and twenty-four vessels are clean. The schooner Caleb Eaton, of San Francisco, is lost.

DROWNED IN A STORM.

BERNE, July 21.—Four boats were to-day capsized in a storm on Lake Lucerne, and fifty people were drowned, some of whom were foreigners.

THE QUEEN'S PHYSICIAN DEAD.

LONDON, July 21.—Dr. Caseer Henry Hawkin, surgeon to the queen, is dead.

The damage by the fire at Crane wharf on Saturday is estimated at £100,000.

ROYALIST PLOT DISCOVERED.

PARIS, July 21.—The Cri du Peuple announces the discovery of a Royalist plot. Three police officials are arrested, and important documents have been found at their lodgings.

TELEGRAPHIC.

The London Franchise Bill Demonstrations.

ENO'S MONTREAL RESIDENCE.

The Queen's Congratulations Over Greely—Great Lake Storm—Turkish Postal Affairs—Socialist Uprising.

STRIKING BRICKMAKERS.

ORDER OF THE PROCESSION.

LONDON, July 21, 3:30 P. M.—At noon the organized Trade Union assembled at Sloane Square, Paddington Green, Fulsbary's Circus, the Obelisk, Black Friars, and Grosvenor Gardens, and proceeded to the embankment. Political delegates wore colors on the streets, the bridges across the Thames are packed with people, and traffic is greatly impeded. The procession moved in the following order: Mounted farriers, agricultural laborers, Provincial deputations, London Trades' Council, representatives from the printing, book-binding, papers, iron and metal, clothing, hatters, shipping, building, cabinet making, fancy goods, and general trades, followed by political clubs, Liberal associations, temperance bodies, and friendly societies. Each section on arriving at the Park marched to the platform assigned, and the band played until the chairman arrived.

STRICKING BRICKLAYERS.

NEW YORK, July 21.—About 2,000 bricklayers, three thousand laborers, and two hundred hod hoisting engineers and tramers, struck work this a. m., because employers refused to grant their demands that nine hours constitute a day's work instead of ten. The strikers claim they can stand it longer than the employers can, and will hold out six months. It is reported that on many of the jobs the men had not struck over ten minutes before they were told to go to work again. A large number of the bosses held out till noon and then yielded thus leaving not over two thousand on a strike.

TURKISH POSTOFFICES.

LONDON, July 21.—The Porte has sent a circular to the different powers notifying them of its assumption of the postal services. It says the existence of a foreign postoffice in Turkey is an infringement of his sovereign rights as Sultan. The Porte insists on the prepayment of letters with the Ottoman stamp, and the powers are invited to close their respective offices. It is rumored that the Porte on the 1st of August will surrender the foreign offices in Constantinople with gen d'armes to prevent the posting of letters. Various embassadors to Turkey have asked their respective governments for orders in such contingency.

FRANCHISE BILL DEMONSTRATIONS.

LONDON, July 21.—The procession of trades unions, and others who took part in the demonstration in favor of the Franchise Bill, at Hyde Park, this afternoon, are now forming on the Thames embankment in immense numbers. At 3:30 p. m. all approaches from the the stand to the empankment are thronged with thousands of people from all parts. [illegible] ment between Charing Cross and Westminster. The best of order prevails. No attempt has been made to interfere with the procession. The Prince and Princess of Wales will witness the procession.

LONDON TRADES' UNIONS.

LONDON, July 22.—A telegram says the demonstration of the Trades' Union at Hyde Park yesterday was a most remarkable and an imposing sight, and was witnessed during Victoria's night by over 100,000 men, who marched in a procession with decorum amounting to dignity. The dispatch adds that it will not do for the peers to mock, or undervalue its peaceful, simple method, or decry it as a paid show. The Standard says the behavior of the people was admirable, but the demonstration has not changed the political situation in the slightest degree. The judgment of the silent and modest section of the community will not be affected.

THE CHOLERA IN FRANCE.

PARIS, July 22.—Thirty deaths occurred at Marseilles, last night, and twenty-eight at Toulon. A panic was created at Toulon last night by the arrival of 100 coffins, ordered from Marseilles. In order to allay the excitement, it was found necessary to send the coffins back. At a meeting of the Paris Municipal Council it was declared that no case of genuine Asiatic cholera had yet been reported at the Paris hospitals. The deaths attributed to cholera are really due to other causes.

STANLEY, THE EXPLORER EXPECTED.

LONDON, July 22.—Henry M. Stanley who resigned as director of the African Inter-National Association, in the Congo country, is expected to arrive in England on Sunday.

NEW TO-DAY.

FOR SALE.—Cook and Chambers' streets. A splendid building lot will be sold at a bargain. Apply TIMES office. jy16 6t

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WANTED, the public to know that bargains in Real Estate are offered by W. H. Mason, Government street, near the postoffice.

NEW TO-DAY.

Notice.

Neither the steamer Eliza Anderson nor owners will be responsible for any debts contracted by the officers or crew without a written order therefore signed by the captain or purser.

THOS. WRIGHT, Manager.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Whole and separate tenders will be received up to 12 M., Saturday July 26th, for the erection and completion of the Agricultural Hall, including pens, stalls, fencing, etc., etc.

We reserve the right to reject any and all tenders.

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VICTORIA, B. C.

NOTICE:

If Emil C. Partsch of Texas, late of Co. K, 3d Regiment, U. S. Infantry, will call at the Consulate, he will receive the important paper from the W. D. he applied for June 14th last. 3j22 6t

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LOCAL NEWS.

The Bark Martha's Cargo from China.

THE BRITISH CONSULATE.

Real Estate Matters—Larceny of a Canine—Land at Alberni—Interesting Kamloops News.

A WELCOME VISITOR.

Another Fishy Land Affair.

Under the above heading the Mainland Guardian says: "Some of our readers may remember that Township 4 in this district, was thrown open for settlement all of one day, and was then reserved and subsequently thrown open by proclamation, we presume, after it had been disposed of. To some applicants who were desirous of pre-empting the land, the reply was made that it was then given to certain gentlemen who have promised to reclaim a bog in the center. So far as those persons, friends of the government, are concerned, we have nothing to do; they are lucky in securing a good thing. But with the government it is quite another matter; they have no right to give away the land in thousands of acres to suit their own little game, and allow good settlers to come to this country, in fact allure them here, apparently with the object of forcing the poor fellows to purchase land from the land grabbers at any price they may fix upon it. It will be a very excellent thing for the people to have an eye on these schemes, which one after another are being unearthed. They will be the gainers by making rigid inquiries into these things, a good many of which it is fast becoming known, will not bear the sunlight.

The Martha from Hong Kong.

The English bark Martha from Hong Kong, Capt. McPherson, arrived in the Royal Roads yesterday, and was brought to the wharf last evening. The Martha left Hong Kong June 8, and sighted Cape Flattery in thirty-nine days, but, owing to calm weather, it took four days more to reach the Royal Roads, or a total of forty-three days for the trip. The bark Melrose, Capt. Bates, left there in ballast ten days before the Martha, but has not yet arrived. As the average time is about fifty days, however, and the Melrose is a slow sailer, it is not at all surprising that she has not yet reached here. The Martha brought 145 Chinese, and 1100 tons of a general cargo, principally rice, consigned to Welch, Rithet & Co. She was about six weeks in Hong Kong, having reached there from Newcastle, and it is just nine months and twenty days since she left Victoria. Captain McPherson states that when there everything was reported settled between China and France and the latter was withdrawing the troops. He was surprised on reaching here to learn that matters were again in an unsettled state. The Captain has the thanks of THE TIMES for copies of Chinese newspapers.

Sailed for China With Spars.

The ship Kate Davenport, Captian Howland, which arrived at Tacoma about a year ago, and has ever since been lying there, sailed yesterday, passing out the Straits with 900,000 feet of spars for the flowery Kingdom. The Davenport is owned by Captain John C. Ainsworth, and others at Portland, and was commanded on her arrival in the Tacoma harbor by Captain Mallet, a Boston gentleman, who growing tired of waiting for wheat at the terminal city, turned his face eastward towards home.

Charged With Stealing a Canine.

Hugh Caldwell, a blacksmith, was brought up in Police Court this morning charged with stealing a pointer pup from L. F. Wallenstein, Broad street. Mr. Pollard appeared for the prisoner, who pleaded not guilty. The prosecutor testified that he lost his pup and afterwards found it near the prisoner's premises, and he refused to give him up. He proved that the dog was his property and was given possession of it by the prisoner and the charge of larceny was dismissed.

A Surprise Party.

The friends of the popular typo Mr. Frank Forbes, last evening assembled at the parlors of the Grand Pacific hotel, and gave him a surprise party, in honor of his seventeenth birthday. Dancing was kept up till a late hour, when a magnificent supper was spread. It was a very jolly party and will be long remembered by those present.

Return of a Land Explorer.

Mr. W. M. Halpenny, Government land explorer, returned on the Sardonyx yesterday. He reports having found several good locations for settlers, and altogether much more good land than he expected. The Sardonyx made the run from Victoria to Alberni in 17 hours and 25 minutes, including one stop at Captain Warren's station.

Scarcely Correct.

"The Dominion government is importing Chinese labor for the construction of the graving dock at Esquimalt, B. C." The above, which is taken from the Ottawa Free Press, cannot be correct, as there are plenty of Chinese already to perform all work which the Dominion Government may decide to perform.

Held for Postage.

Letters held on account of insufficient postage are at the office in this city for H. Richards, San Francisco; Miss M. Brink, Warren's Corner, N. Y.; L. Duval, Lake District; Sam Wau Kie, Chicago; J. N. Hayley, Grafton, U. S. N.; J. C. Hayne, Cowichan, B. C.; Yee Chung & Co., San Francisco.

A Needed Improvement.

Work has been commenced at last on the fence around the old cemetery. The posts used are good substantial ones, and the fence will be built of pickets two inches square. It has been badly needed for some time.

Lumber by the Lottie.

Steamer Lottie arrived on Sunday night with a scow load of lumber for the Cowichan lumber yard. This lumber was manufactured at the Cowichan Mills, and is intended for the Victoria market.

For Sooke Harbor.

Steamer Woodside left here this afternoon with about seventy-five bales of furs for the Hudson Bay Company's warehouse at Esquimalt, and some brick and other stores for Sooke.

A Good Growth.

At Mr. Frank Campbell's corner can be seen samples of timothy from the farm of Mr. D. Little, Alberni, which measures from five and a half to six feet in length.

Birth.

To the wife of James Russell a 11½ pound boy. The birth occurred at 10 o'clock to-day.

REAL ESTATE TENDENCIES.

Recent Advances in the Value of Property on Coal Harbor.

The real estate market during the past week was somewhat animated and the transactions considerable. The principal scene of activity has been in the neighborhood of Coal Harbor and False Creek, near English Bay, on Burrard Inlet. The opinion has always been freely expressed that Port Moody was merely the temporary terminus, and that ultimately the line would be carried down to English Bay, the "permanent terminus" on this coast for the Canadian Pacific railway. Canada will complete her agreement with this country by building the line to the tide waters of the Pacific. The nearest and most economical point to accomplish this was at Port Moody, which is a snug little harbor, well sheltered, and possessing good anchorage. The site for building a large commercial city is, however, limited. The approaching completion of the line, from ocean to ocean, has revived the probability of the syndicate carrying the line to the coast instead of remaining at Port Moody. Taking other places as a criterion, it is certain that, unless the company cut down the slopes, at Port Moody, and fill up the mud flats, it will be impossible to find even sidings accommodations for its traffic.

By many, it was felt that the Federal government had committed an error in locating the terminus at the head of the inlet, in consequence of the lack of these facilities. In the neighborhood of Coal Harbor and False Creek, it is said, abundance of ground for the terminal purposes is obtainable, as well as a site for a very large city—and possessing ample accommodations for shipping purposes. This accounts for the recent decided advance in the price of property in the locality referred to. Figures now asked and obtained vary from $300 to $1000 per acre, according to location. In Port Moody a few sales are being made at fair figures. Holders there are confident that the government having declared it the terminus, no change will take place. A few weeks now will set the matter at rest forever.

The Catholic Bazaar.

The committee of arrangements are actively at work today decorating the Catholic Hall on View street for the bazaar which will be held Wednesday and Thursday. Doors will be opened for the first entertainment to-morrow at noon, when the ladies will be pleased to receive and minister to the wants of all visitors. Refreshments, and the usual bazaar programme, will be provided. On Sunday, August 3d, at 11 o'clock a sermon will be preached by Rev. Father Bouchard, and in the evening he will deliver a lecture. The public are cordially invited to attend any or all of the public services.

Mainland Surveys and Settlements.

It is announced that Hon. J. W. Trutch will, in accordance with instructions lately received from Ottawa, proceed to survey the lands in the railway belt on the mainland, with the end that they may be opened to those who wish to make settlement. The surveys are announced to begin in the early future. For the relief of those who have long been waiting it is to be hoped that there is something in this understanding of the case.

From Nanaimo.

Steamer R. P. Rithet arrived at 2:15 o'clock, from Nanaimo, with the following list of passengers: Mr. and Mrs. Bohn, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Dickinson, Miss Clute, Mr. and Mrs. Morton, Miss Connors, Mrs. Johnson, Miss Cummings, Mrs. Cole, Capt. Pettendreight, Mr. Boli, H. Tilton, J. Wilson, Rev. Dunn, T. K. Zook, Isaac Rudge, Thompson, McDougall, Robertson, Ferguson, Chase, Little, Simpson, Mohun, Stone, Whetzel, and fifteen others from New Westminster.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Otto Gresham, son of Postmaster General Gresham of the United States, arrived in this city last night, after having spent considerable time at Portland and Seattle. He is quite a young man, and is said to be in no way connected with the postal department.

D. M. Hosker, manager of the Canadian Pacific machine and car shops at Yale, arrived here on Saturday last, and has since visited Nanaimo, from which he arrived to-day. Mr. Hosker is enjoying a brief vacation.

Mr. H. P. McGuire, President of the East Portland Water Company, is in the city accompanied by his mother. They are here merely on a pleasure trip, and intend to remain for some days.

D. F. Dryden, one of the publishers and proprietors of the Travelers' Guide, Portland, is spending a few days of vacation in this city, and may be found at the Driard.

Wm. Maxwell, of Scotland; C. D. Frazer, of Santa Rosa, Cal, and L. F. Mann, are all at the Driard.

Thos. McNeeley, of Ladner's Landing, a well known merchant and hotel proprietor, arrived this evening.

Mr. J. Wilson, Superintendent of the Dominion telegraph lines, arrived on the Western Slope this afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Stephen, of St. Andrew's church, arrived home this afternoon from a trip up the country.

Chas. Aster, Esq., of Port Moody, arrived last night and is quartered at the Driard.

Mr. E. Mohun, engineer at Port Hammond, is at the Oriental.

LOCAL NOTES.

A communication to this paper, signed "A Lover of Nature," would receive space in it were the letter accompanied by the writer's name, which he has neglected to give.

A fire at Sooke a few days ago threatened, for a time to completely destroy the ranch improvements of one Mr. Still. By great effort, however, the flames were brought under control.

Gas Inspector.

A resident of this city has been appointed by the Dominion Government to be inspector of gas, weights and measures for Victoria. As there are some little formalities yet to be gone through with the name is withheld from the public for a time.

Come to Stay.

This morning at ten o'clock that popular "Son of Scotia," Mr. James Russell, was made happy by the presentation to him by his wife of a "bouncing baby boy." The wife and boy are doing well, and the happy father is very proud.

No Quorum.

An adjourned meeting of the City Council was to have been held last night, but only Mayor Carey and Councilors Vigelius, Gowen, J. Robinson and Porter put in an appearance. As that number did not form a quorum no meeting was held.

THE COURTS.

POLICE COURT—PEMBERTON, J.

Hugh Caldwell—Larceny; Charge Dismissed.

THE BRITISH CONSULATE.

Establishment of a Vice Consulate in the North—News from Booker.

The San Francisco Post says: Mr. Stanley, the British Consul at this port, is being feted by the authorities at Victoria. It is not generally known that his visit north is to establish a Vice Consulate at some point northward. His tour of inspection will probably last for some weeks longer. The home authorities have decided upon establishing this Vice Consulate in view of the looked for increased trade, through the Northern Pacific and their projected line of steamers to the Orient.

Wm. Lane Booker, our former British Consul, having obtained a six months' leave of absence from his consular duties in New York, has been enjoying himself in Paris, and is now in London. He will return to New York in October. Shrewd guessers say that on his retirement from office, three years hence, he will be made a C. B., and will return to San Francisco to end his days in peace and contentment.

News From Kamloops.

Mrs. Wm. Fortune, who is in this city on a visit from Tranquille Mill, reports considerable of a boom up in that country. Fortune's Saw Mill has more orders for lumber than it can fill. Business is looking very brisk at Kamloops and Savon's Ferry. An immense amount of freight is being shipped to and from these points, and a great many strangers are going in there to settle. Owing to the large amount of building now being done at Kamloops, a great many carpenters have found employment, and there is still work for more who may come. Mr. Richard Dowdall is building a large hotel at Raper's, on Cherry Creek, and will do well with it, owing to the large immigration. Mr. Wm. Fortune is also building a hotel at Tranquille. The railroad work so long suspended, is now resumed which also causes things to become livelier. The crops are not doing very well, and will be light, but the Spallumcheen crops are good, because of the late rains.

Opera Season Postponed.

Mr. M. B. Goldstein, business manager of the Tivoli Opera Company has just received the following dispatch: "Five of the company held as witnesses in the Howard case; can't leave to-day; will write particulars as to dates." The telegram is signed by Walter Keyes, the manager of the Tivoli. This is very unfortunate, but the postponement, it is stated, will not exceed three days, as the case in which these people are held as witnesses will be over by that time. Mr. Goldstein will keep us posted as to further dates. Under the circumstances, holders of tickets will have the privilege of retaining the same seats for the different operas for which they are now reserved, or they can have their money refunded. Further particulars will be given to-morrow.

Not Open for Vehicles.

The contractor, owing to commencing the work of building the stone piers for the James Bay bridge, and other improvements, has caused the bridge to be closed to vehicles.

Noted Chief Dead.

Sam Eaton, a noted chief of the Nanaimo tribe, and quite a young man, died yesterday afternoon at Nanaimo. The disease is not reported.

TELEGRAPHIC SPARKS.

DISPOSAL OF THE DEAD.

WASHINGTON, July 22. Secretary Lincoln had a conference with General Hazen this morning, as to the disposition of the bodies of the dead of Greely's expedition. It is probable they will be taken to Governors Island, New York harbor, and placed in charge of Major General Hancock until a decision shall be reached as to the final disposition.

THE CRANE WHARF FIRE.

LONDON, July 22.—The loss from the great fire, on Saturday, at Crane wharf, Waping, reaches $250,000. Large quantities of oil stored at the wharf was not much damaged. The fire is not yet extinguished and the fire engines, both on the river and shore, are still pumping water on the burning wharf.

END VERY HAPPY INDEED.

QUEBEC, July 22. John C. Eno has rented a splendidly furnished residence on St. Johns street, and has been joined by his wife and three daughters from New York.

MORE VICTIMS OF CHOLERA.

PARIS, July 22.—Between 9 o'clock and noon to-day, there were eight deaths from cholera at Marseilles.

GENERAL NOTICES.

Convenient for References.

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Packages over 24 and under 50	75 cts. each
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Less than 3 lbs	25 cts. each
From 3 lbs to 10 lbs	50 cts. each
From 10 lbs to 25 lbs	75 cts. each
From 25 lbs to 50 lbs	$1 00 each
From 50 lbs to 75 lbs	$1.50 each
From 75 lbs to 100 lbs or over	2 cts. per lb

TO LYTTON AND POINTS BETWEEN YALE AND LYTTON.

Less than 2 lbs	25 cts. each
From 2 lbs to 5 lbs	50 cts. each
From 5 lbs to 10 lbs	$1.00 each
From 10 lbs to 25 lbs	10 cts. per lb
From 25 lbs to 75 lbs	8 cts. per lb
Over 75 lbs	6 cts. per lb

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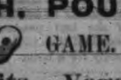

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CRADLE-MIE.

I.

"Did you hear the news in the village?" said Peter Jansen to his wife, who was busy getting his supper ready, he being a laborer in the employment of a neighboring farmer, and having just returned, tired after his day's work: "Did you hear, Netta, how very soon Clas Hermsen's widow has followed her husband?"

"What's that you say?" asked the woman, setting an earthenware dish of porridge on the table; "is hump-backed Christina dead! Ah, well! those two haven't been separated long; Clas died in the spring, and Christina—it's just six months later. And that's a very bad thing for Cradle-Mie! what's to become of her? She hasn't got a brass farthing; she can sew and knit, but that's about all she can do, and I don't believe she can do that over well. Quiet! you bold children you," she added, turning to her five olive branches, whose mouths were watering, as they eyed the steaming porridge; "mother can't do everything at once. Did I ever hear the like of that! Christina must have been in the fifties, and Cradle-Mie will have been eighteen years in the village next Midsummer's day. Let's say grace, Peter, there's no keeping the children quiet, and one can't hear one's self speak with the noise they're making."

Jansen took his pipe out of his mouth and put his cap before his face; his wife gave their flat-born a nudge, and frowned at him to shut his eyes.

They said grace. Peter prayed earnestly and out of a very grateful heart; he was sure that his neighbor Willem, and Willem's wife and children, had not got such an abundant meal. He had ended his prayer, but when he caught sight over the top of his cap, of his buxom wife, and of his rosy-cheeked children, he shut his eyes again and said, while he raised his heart in gratitude to the Giver of all good things: "I thank Thee, great and good God! Amen!"

Frau Jansen had said her grace, too; but her thoughts had wandered somewhat while she was saying it. Hump-backed Christina was dead; and she could not help wondering when she would be buried, and whether any of her relations would come to the funeral; till it suddenly occurred to her that God might have called her away, too, and how miserably off Peter and the children would have been without her! A tear came into her left eye at the thought—she always cried first with her left eye—and she felt humbly grateful for having been spared, and prayed softly to her Father in heaven: "I thank Thee, good and great God! Amen."

The children had rapidly got through their "All eyes wait upon Thee, O Lord!" and were looking, with longing eyes, from the dish of porridge to their parents, to see if they were not ready yet.

Their father put his cap on again, their mother gave the signal for the onslaught to begin, and before five minutes were over the dish was empty, and the porridge had disappeared down their respective throats.

Supper ended, the children were soon got to bed. Peter relit his pipe and raked together the charred remnants of wood on the hearth, so that the blaze began to flicker up merrily once more. Netta fed the youngest child, who was lying in an old basket-work cradle, and the little fellow made a prodigious uproar over the business.

"Gracious!" said Frau Jansen, looking down anxiously at her baby. "How young the child is!"

"How so, Netta?" asked Peter composedly.

"How so? Just think if you were out of work, or if you got ill, like our neighbor Willem, or if God called you or me away, what would become of the poor children. Albert, the eldest, is just 9, and the little one in the cradle is not 11 months old yet."

"Children are God's gifts; we must take them as they come," interrupted Peter; "and besides they're getting bigger every day, and nearer doing for themselves. In a couple of years' time, Netta, you'll see—"

"Stuff!" cried his wife. "Small children, small burden; big children, big burden; and then you know the saying: 'When the litter's too large, the hogwash gets thin.'"

"Softly, Netta! We have never felt the pinch of hunger yet, or wanted anything needful, either. I'm in good health, and in good work; you're in good health, and as to the children, thank heaven, they're as happy and as healthy as the fishes in the sea."

"That's all very well, Peter; but if it came to happen as some day like the Hermsens!"

"Aye; if it! God has helped us heretofore why shouldn't He help us in the future? You said just now there were too many of the children, but if one of them fell sick, and God were going to take it to Himself——"

"For mercy's sake, Peter, take care what you're saying!" his wife cried in terror, and she bent down hastily over the basket-work cradle, to give the little sleeper a kiss, as if she were afraid that the Great Reaper would assail him first of all. The little fellow, however, ill pleased by the display of maternal affection, made a very cross face, and was just about to roar, if his mother had not hurriedly begun to rock the cradle, and sung him off to sleep again.

When the child was asleep once more, the good woman said penitently.

"You mustn't take it ill of me, Peter; but I can't get the Hermsens out of my head; if we were to be taken like them, wouldn't the children be worse off than Cradle-Mie is now? Heaven be thanked that we are strong and well!"

The honest couple sat talking a while longer, but when the clock in the church-tower struck 10 they were already snug in bed and sleeping peacefully on toward the coming day.

II.

Every one in the village knew that hump-backed Christina was dead, and every one knew, also, that the so-called Cradle-Mie was alone now in the wide world; every one pitied the pretty young girl, who had no human being left to care for her, but no one thought of being the first to help her.

No one knew who Cradle-Mie really was; but the landlord of the "Horse-jockey" could tell how she had come by her singular name latter, perhaps, than any one in the village.

It was natural that he should, for he and the Hermsens had always been close friends; and he remembered, as well as if it had happened only yesterday, though it was seventeen years ago last midsummer's day, how Clas Hermsen had come running to him at 6 o'clock in the morning, just as he was feeding the calf in the barn. He remembered quite well Clas saying breathlessly, "Listen here, Christian, I've got a strange thing to tell you;" and how perturbed Clas had looked, and how they had gone into the little kitchen behind the large taproom, and Clas had begun again. "Christain, you're a man whom one can depend on; just think that this morning——" But then Clas had looked at the door as if he were afraid that some one were standing outside listening; and not till Christian had assured him that he might speak out safely, had he gone on. "I put my horse into the cart at 5 o'clock this morning to draw manure. I had got the cart full, and was driving it out to the field at Kuhkampe, when just as I got outside the village, I saw—it looked odd, man, I can tell you—a little iron cradle covered with a green cloth, standing in the middle of the road, close by the old guidepost. I went up to it and lifted off the cloth, and there was a little child in it, with a face like an angel's fast asleep. You can guess, Christian, how I stared," Clas had proceeded, "when I saw the child lying there. It began to cry, and I didn't know what I was to do. At my wits' end, I put the cradle in the ditch, and brought the load of manure out to Kuhkampe as fast as my horse could trot. When I got back the cradle was in the same spot. I got it up, with the child in it, and put it into the cart and drove it home. When I got home my wife was making up the butter, and when she saw the cradle and the child in it she set up such a screaming that I was afraid she would get cramps. I told her in plain terms what had happened, and that she ought to be ashamed of herself, for having such an evil mind; and then we talked the matter over, Christian, and agreed that we ought to give the mayor notice of my having found the child. I did so; and the mayor, and Sprick, his secretary, have been at our house, but they could find nothing in the cradle except the child, an armful of hay and a sealed letter, on the cover of which was written:

"'The child is commended to the care of whoever may find her. God will reward him for his kindness to her. The child has been baptised; her christian name is Marie. This cradle must remain in her possession, and this letter is not to be opened by her until she is of age.'"

The mayor had readily given Clas permission to adopt the little waif and bring it up as his own, for his wife had no children in the thirteen years that they had been married, and she was not likely to have any now.

The landlord, who was looked upon as an unusually clear-headed fellow, remembered all this quite distinctly; he knew too that in the night previous to Clas Hermsen's finding the child, a carriage had stopped at his house. The coachman had knocked him up out of his bed; he had drunk a glass of brandy, and had said that he was on his way to B——. Christian, however, had discovered afterward that the coachman had only said it in order to put him on a wrong scent, for the next morning the carriage had passed through Z—— in quite a different direction. No one had seen the carriage again after that.

The Hermsens brought up the deserted child with as much care and love as if she had been their own, and owing to the manner in which she had been found, she was always known in the village as "Cradle-Mie."

III.

A month had gone by since the evening on which we saw Peter Jansen and his family at their evening meal. It was still early in the morning, and as the sun does not make its appearance at the end of November till nearly 8 o'clock, it would have been quite dark if the moon had not shed its wan light down upon the earth.

Peter Jansen jumped out of bed and opened the shutter.

"Hullo, snow!" were the first words he said. "Why, it has become winter all of a sudden during the night. Come, wife, get up!" he continued, casting another glance back at the warm nook he had just left. "Get up, Netta, the snow's a foot deep or more; you'll have to sweep it away from the door as fast as you can."

The good woman did as her husband bade her, and when she had swept away most of the snow from before the door to one side, she hung a kettle of water over the fire, put a spoonful of ground coffee into a smaller kettle, and when the water was boiling fast and furiously she filled the smaller vessel to the brim, and stirred it round and round with a little stick, to make the coffee, which was floating on the top, sink. She let it draw for a while by the hearth, and then, when Peter had sipped his first cup slowly and comfortably—"the stuff was vilely hot"—and had had a second cup poured out, he rubbed his hands gleefully, and said it was right good.

"I had a very strange dream last night, Peter," began his wife, when she was able to sit down at last, "which I must tell you. I dreamt that a man came into the kitchen here, dressed in a shining white garment, just like the one the angel over the font in the church has on. In my fright I didn't notice whether he had wings, and I forget if I offered him a chair, but I heard him say distinctly: 'Woman, you must die, and Peter must die, too, so set your house in order. When I heard that I felt as if I must sink into the earth, and I said, 'For God's sake! who will take care of the poor children?' I began to cry in my dream, but the angel said, with such a friendly smile, 'Kind people will take care of your children when you are gone, but as ye would that men should do unto you, even so do ye unto them.' Then I awoke Peter, and I began to think over the dream, and I remembered suddenly that everything hump-backed Christina left is to be sold to-day by that skinflint heir of hers, and I thought of the man in the white garment and of Cradle-Mie, and you see, Peter, ——"

"And you thought we might take the poor girl to live with us?" interrupted Peter.

"Yes," replied his wife, "for, as I said to myself, that dream means two things; it assures us both of a long life, and it bids us care for that poor child as if she were our own."

So the kind-hearted people, who were pretty well provided with children already, agreed to add the foundling girl to their own five or six, firmly assured that it was God's will, and that He would reward them for it in His own good time.

Before Peter left the house they had also decided that he should buy the iron cradle at the auction with some little money his wife had contrived to lay by, "for the basket-work cradle was a rickety old thing, and it might be wanted again before long." Of course, honest Peter had no objection to the arrangement.

IV.

The snow was lying a foot and a half deep; it looked like a white shroud spread over dead nature. The trees which had been bare and leafless the day before, had got a new and splendid covering during the night; there was a finger's depth of snow resting on even the smallest twigs. It was an unwonted and a most beautiful sight, but if one looked at it too long, it made one's eyes ache. The village street had been partially cleared, but all the same it was hard work for the horses to drag the heavily-laden wagons along, and the miller, whom Peter met on his way to the auction, had two horses to his meal cart.

Frau Jansen had been right; all hump-backed Christina's belongings were to be sold that morning to the highest bidder by the auctioneer, who had come from the neighboring town for the purpose.

Miserly Stoffel Holmes of K—— and his sister, long Greta, were the only heirs. No one, however, had the least doubt that if God had not called hump-backed Christina away so suddenly they would have got nothing; Cradle-Mie would have had everything, and they would have gone without.

The whole of the furniture and the household utensils, which had belonged to the dead woman, had been collected and ticketed with numbers. The auctioneer and his clerk were seated in the kitchen, to take down the names of the purchasers and the prices fetched. The snow had been swept away in front of the house, and a sheet had been stretched like an awning above the windows on the right hand side of the door, and a table and one or two forms had been placed under it. A few Jews and some farmers and farmers' wives, who had come there either from curiosity or as intending bidders, were sitting on the forms. Lippes, the crier, was standing on a bench close beside the window, through which the various articles were handed out to him, and he was endeavoring, by sundry stale jokes, to palm the old lumber off on the people.

These, however, evinced little inclination to buy. They laughed at the crier's witticisms and personalities, but bid they would not. Most of the things were bought by Samuel, the second hand dealer, by the shape of whose nose one could tell a hundred paces off that he was of the seed of Abraham.

"There's nothing of yours here," roared Stoffel Holmes' harsh voice suddenly. "Yes. I like that! to want to take the cradle away with you, you grab-all of a girl! Didn't you live on Aunt Christina? and weren't you a burden to her long enough?" At the same instant, Peter, who had been standing at a distance with his hands in his pockets, looking on at the sale, saw the greedy heir take Cradle-Mie, the favorite of the whole village, by the arm and fling her out of the house in which she had been a welcome inmate for nearly eighteen years.

There was an angry shout from the little crowd of bidders, and it was well for Stoffel Holmes that he went back into the house at once, or the crowd of bystanders, of whom Peter Jansen would not have been the last, might have compelled him to hear some unpleasant things, and possibly to feel them, too.

There stood poor Marie, alone in the wide world; and it was so cold, and her beloved fostermother's heir had been so cruel to her, that the gentle sensitive girl began to cry bitterly at the threshold of the dwelling where she had often played in her happy childhood.

"A superb article!" shouted the crier, as the old iron cradle was handed out to him through the window. "A real rarity, and of most distinguished origin! I say Samuel, won't you buy it and give it to your Sarah at Christmas?"

A roar of laughter greeted this witticism.

"But the Jews don't believe in Christmas," observed farmer Laarmann sagely.

"Indeed, Herr Laarmann," replied the Jew. "Just try it. Give me something at Christmas that's worth taking, and you'll see if I don't believe in it and keep it."

"Now, then, Samuel, bid a gulden," urged the crier.

"Not I, Lippes," returned the old Jew. "You'd better buy it yourself for your bride; you're more likely to want it."

Now the Jew had the laugh on his side.

"An iron cradle, who'll bid for it?" roared Lippes, above the laughter.

"Three stivers!" was heard from the interior of the house.

"A quarter gulden!" said Peter Jansen.

"Two!" cried the Jew Samuel.

"Three!" from the house.

"A gulden!" cried Peter hotly.

"And a quarter!" enhanced the Jew.

"And another!" from the house.

"There should be three of all good things!" cried Peter, and nodded to the crier.

"A gulden and three-quarters!" shouted he.

"No one bid more than a gulden and three-quarters! Once—no one bid!—twice—thrice!"

The word was said, and the crier handed the cradle over to Peter with some suitable remarks.

While the women were making a minute inspection of the cradle to see if it was worth the money which had been given for it, Peter went up to the girl, who was still standing at the door crying. It certainly was very hard that Cradle-Mie should have to look on and see the cradle, which was indisputably her property, and the only memorial of her unknown parents which she possessed, being brought to the hammer by miserly Stoffel Holmes, to say nothing of his having spoken to her so roughly, and turned her out of the house. Every one was very sorry for the gentle girl and very irate against Stoffel Holmes, but—Peter Jansen was the first and only one who took her kindly by the hand, offered her the shelter of his roof, and comforted her with plain, homely words.

V.

It was getting very near Candlemas, and Peter Jansen's half dozen was soon to be completed. Cradle-Mie had been nearly two months in the house, Frau Jansen's trusty helpmate and the idol of the children, who clung about the tall, handsome girl like creepers.

Peter came in—he had been to the town—and threw a small parcel on the table.

"There wife," said he, "there's the new covering for the cradle; if Mie will stitch it on, you can have it done in a hand's turn."

"That's right!" said Frau Jansen, opening the parcel, "and it's good stuff, too," she added, feeling it; "what did you give a yard for it?"

"The Jew had the face to ask a half gulden, but I gave him a quarter, and he was glad to get it."

"Yes, there's nothing they won't ask," said Frau Jansen, "but you didn't let yourself be cheated; we'll send you again when we want anything. Now, Mie, fetch down the old cradle from the attic, we'll tear the old covering off, and sew this on instead."

Cradle-Mie ran up to the attic as fast as she could, to fetch down her earliest dwelling; she came back with the cradle in a few minutes, and set to work at once.

"The lining underneath is sewed on firmly," said the girl, when she had been trying to rip it off for half an hour or more. "There seems to be paper or something in between; just look, Peter!"

"What!" said Peter, who was changing his laced boots for wooden shoes. "Is there a paper under the lining? Let me see—I do believe you're right, girl, there is something under it. Rip it off as quick as you can, but take care you don't cut anything. It is a piece of paper, look, wife, and how thin and oddly printed it is! Get me my glasses. Nettal Here's another paper like it, and another! Good Heavens! they look just like the bank notes I saw at the tax-gatherer's the other day. Here, Marie, read what's written on them, you've got your eyes!" And when Cradle-Mie told him they were three notes of the Bank of the Netherlands, each worth a thousand guldens, Peter was petrified with amazement, and stared at the girl, speechless and open-mouthed.

This unlooked for discovery created no little excitement in the minds of the worthy people.

Marie had not told the Jansens when they took her into their house kindly that on the outside of the sealed letter, which she had kept faithfully all this time, the iron cradle was assigned to her as her inalienable property; for if she had possessed a hundred times the value of the cradle she would have given it gladly for a home with respectable people.

The handsome sum of 3,000 guldens, which had been sewed into the lining of the cradle cover, caused honest Peter Jansen no little perplexity.

"I bought the cradle at the auction," he said to himself, when he had somewhat recovered from his astonishment, "and I paid for it, too. The cradle is mine, all that was in it when I bought it. But, if I mean to be an honest man, I ought—"

Greed, however, against which the minister had preached so often, that Peter had given up listening to him at last—what had a poor man like him to say to greed?—greed began to stir mightily within him, urging him to keep the money for himself.

Before Peter had got a word out, however, his wife threw up her hands in wonderment and cried:

"Well, Mie, you're finely off now! Girl, what's to be the end of all this! If you don't get too proud to stay with us, that's all I hope! Three thousand guldens—why that's a real fortune!"

And the good woman took up the three bank notes, which had made their appearance so unexpectedly, and examined them again, one by one, very carefully.

After talking the matter over, they decided to open the sealed letter which Cradle-Mie had brought down. There was nothing in it, however, except that the girl was to search the lining of the green cradle cover, and that she would find 3,000 guldens in it, which would provide her with a suitable dowry, on her becoming the wife of some respectfully farmer—Marie crimsoned up to the ears at this—and also enable her to make some return to her foster parents for their kindness to her.

Great tears came into Marie's eyes at those last words; she was thinking of good Clas Hermsen and hump-backed Christina, to neither of whom could she make any return for all that they had done for her.

Peter had soon got the mastery over the tempter, and would have nothing to say to the money. Marie, however, insisted that he had bought the bank notes along with the cradle, and would have nothing to say to them, either.

"Are you silly, girl?" exclaimed Frau Jansen, in her resolute way. "Whoever heard of buying 3,000 guldens for a gulden and three-quarters? and so saying she pushed the bank notes over to the girl.

"I should like to see myself taking them," said Marie, and put two of them down before Peter, but Frau Jansen took one and gave it back to the girl.

So the matter was finally settled.

Cradle-Mie stayed on with the Jansens. Peter put her 3,000 guldens into the savings bank till the young farmer, who had been alluded to, should turn up. "And we won't have long to wait for him," he opined, chuckling. With the third bank note he bought himself a bit of land, a horse and two cows. When any one asked him how he had grown so rich all of a sudden he replied that God had blessed him "a thousand fold," and it seemed to him for no other reason than that he had taken pity on the poor, destitute girl.

Three days after Candlemas, Frau Jansen had a fine little girl, to whom Cradle-Mie stood godmother, and the little one did so well in the newly-covered iron cradle that it was a pleasure to look at her.

"The respectable young farmer," too, did not fail to appear; for, when Frau Jansen's brother came home in the following year from serving in the army, Cradle-Mie found great favor in his eyes and he in Cradle-Mie's, and they were married before the year was out. The young couple took the old iron cradle to their new home, and it has had no idle time since then.

Peter is still as ignorant of Cradle-Mie's parentage as the rest of the inhabitants of the village. Christian, the landlord of the "Horse-jockey," sounded him on the matter the other day, but all the answer Peter made was, "If I could only find that out, my good fellow, I'd put a whole gulden into the almsbag next Sunday morning with joy."

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